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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-7 (Canceled).

8 (Amended). A golf ball comprising:

- a solid core comprising a polybutadiene mixture;
- a boundary layer formed over the core, the boundary layer comprising a blend of ionomer materials composed of a sodium neutralized copolymer of ethylene and methacrylic acid, a zinc neutralized copolymer of ethylene and methacrylic acid and a magnesium neutralized terpolymer of ethylene, methacrylic acid and n-butyl acrylate;
- and

- a cover formed over the boundary layer, the cover composed of a thermosetting polyurethane material formed from reactants comprising polytetramethylene ether glycol terminated toluene diisocyanate prepolymer and a curative blend comprising N,N'-dialkylamino-diphenyl-methane in an amount of 25 to 75 parts per one hundred parts of the curative blend and 4,4'-methylenebis-(2,6-diethyl)-aniline in an amount of 25 to 75 parts per one hundred parts of the curative blend;

wherein the cover has an aerodynamic surface geometry thereon.

9-12 (Canceled).

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REMARKS

Claim 8 was provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 6 of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Number 10/063,979. A Terminal Disclaimer for U.S. Patent Application Number 10/063,979 is filed herewith to further prosecution.

Claim 9 was objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim. Claim 8 has been amended to include all of the limitations of objected to claim 9.

It is believed that claim 8 is now allowable. The Applicant therefore respectfully solicits a Notice of Allowance.

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